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Withdrawal From issue

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In re Application of

Felipe, Knop et al

Application No. 09/580,945

Filed: May 30, 2000

Title: TOPOLOGY PROGAGATION IN A DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT WITH NO TOPOLOGY MESSAGE TRAFFIC IN STEADY STATE

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue after payment of the issue fee due to the unpatentability of at least one claim. See 37 CFR 1.313(b).

The above-identified application is hereby withdrawn from issue.

The issue fee is refundable upon written request. If, however, the application is again found allowable, the issue fee can be applied toward payment of the issue fee in the amount identified on the new Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due upon written request. This request and any balance due must be received on or before the due date noted in the new Notice of Allowance in order to prevent abandonment of the application.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Chi Pham at (703) 305-4378.

The above-identified application is being forwarded to the examiner for prompt appropriate action, including notifying applicant of the new status of this application.

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